

District exceeds goal through the power of giving

The Albuquerque District certainly captured this year's Combined Federal Campaign theme, "Capture the Spirit of New Mexico", by again exceeding this year's monetary goal.

The district goal for this year was \$24,884. After the final pledge was tallied, the district achieved a generous \$27,509, exceeding the goal by nearly 10 percent.

Key workers within the respective offices and organization provided campaign brochures and pledge forms to facilitate the donation process, which ended November 16.

The CFC campaign provides us the opportunity to offer help and hope to those in need who live around the corner, across the Nation, and throughout the world, said Lt. General Robert Van Antwerp, Com-

mander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

"District members were asked to listen to their heart and determine what could be given to the charities of their choice," said Carolyn M. Mould, Management Analyst for the Albuquerque District. "Those who were new to the campaign that may have never before contributed to CFC got to experience the true power of giving."

The CFC provides each of us with an annual opportunity to help others by voluntarily donating to community, national or international service organizations. There are over 3,600 charities included in the CFC Catalog of Caring. They include organizations serving the military, arts, education, environment, health,

medical research, shelter, community improvement, and human services.

The Catalog of Caring contains information on all these eligible charities and can be obtained from your designated CFC volunteers.

"Regardless of the contribution, everyone can make a difference to achieve the greatest reward – the power of giving," said Mould.

As the Albuquerque District did last year, the district again surpassed its goal through compassionate generosity.

A special note of thanks goes to those who helped execute CFC this year: Margie Torres-Nunez, Loretta Gonzales, Ellen Rule, Jacqui Valdez, Lisa Lopez, Robert Grimes, Monique Chisholm, Willa Prato, and Ronnie Anderson.



Winter months = increased driving risks

The winter months are filled with holidays and vacations, which means increased traffic on our nation's roads and greater driving risks. Our military and civilian personnel need to heed these risks.

Each year, the military alone loses the equivalent of one battalion to mostly preventable traffic mishaps, many of which involve alcohol.

Keep in mind that the choices you make at holiday outings and other winter activities can impair vision, affect judgment, and disrupt reaction times, all essential skills for safe driving. This winter, don't endanger your life or the lives of others by making poor decisions. Be

aware of potentially hazardous road conditions, watch your speed, don't drink and drive, use your seatbelt and other personal protective equipment, and pull over if you feel fatigued.

The Department of Defense continues its support of the national drunk driving awareness campaign, The Over the Limit, Under Arrest Campaign, to prevent the unnecessary loss of life of our servicemen and women on the

highways.

Let's all enjoy the winter months and all it has to offer, but be smart and be safe.

